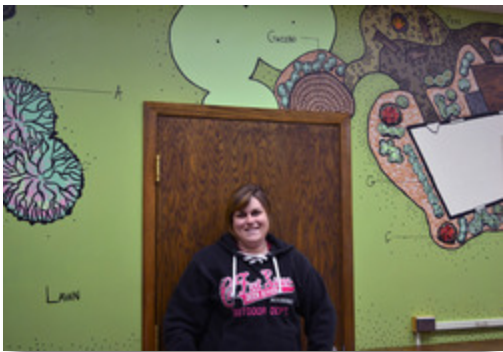


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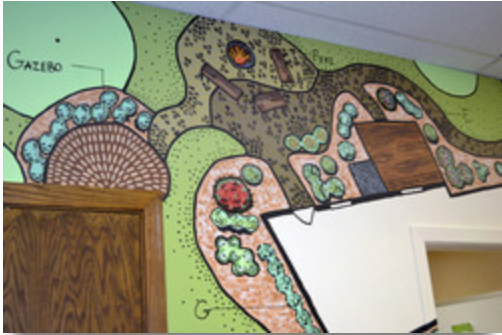
Senior Ashlynn Hartung, Lindstrom, Minn., Designs Extreme Makeover in Classroom at the U of M Crookston

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Senior Ashlynn Hartung, a double major in horticulture and golf and turf management at the University of Minnesota Crookston is taking a classroom through an extreme makeover. The senior from Lindstrom, Minn., is using her artistic ability to transform the walls of Owen Hall 217 from drab to dramatic. She has created a landscape design on paper, transitioned it to a transparency, and then transferred the design onto the wall. Hartung took a number of art classes before college and was part of the art honor society in her high school. She is using that creativity to transform the classroom and the result

is both attractive and pays tribute to the beauty of landscape design and horticulture. The work began in spring 2012 and currently one wall is completed and she is starting on the adjoining wall. A senator in the Crookston Student Association, the campus student governing body, in 2012-13, Hartung has been active across the campus. She earned honors as the Outstanding Horticulture Student at the UM Crookston in spring 2013 and was one of four seniors from the campus who earned top honors at the Mid-American Horticultural Society (MACHS) competition at the University of Wisconsin River Falls in October. She also competed with the horticulture team as part of the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture (NACTA) competition in 2011. For her student internship, Hartung enjoyed her experience at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. She will graduate in May 2014, but her work in Owen Hall is a legacy, and she will leave it behind to be enjoyed by students, faculty, and staff for years to come.



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